decided to permit movement of foodgrains into the statutorily rationed areas up to five seers per head.

5. Collection of Land Revenue in kind.

In the Press Note dated 10th April 1952, it was announced that Government intended to enforce the system of collection of land revenue in kind instead of in cash. On further examination, it is now felt that in view of the practical difficulties, Government have decided to continue to collect land revenue in cash only as heretofore and abandon the idea of enforcing the collection of revenue in kind.

6. Levy System.

As already announced in the Press Note dated 10th April 1952, the procurement of foodgrains by "Levy System" is under examination and details of the scheme are being worked out and will be announced shortly, well in time, before the next harvest.

(P. N. No. 91—14-8-52).

Press Note.

The necessity having arisen in the matter of assisting agriculturists in the State to secure manure, seeds, agricultural implements and other necessities, Government sanctioned in 1949 a scheme for the establishment of Multi-purpose Co-operative Societies. Accordingly, 82 Taluk Multi-purpose Co-operative Societies have been established and have been registered all over the State. With a view to making these societies self-supporting and not always dependent on Government assistance, the several concessions granted to them in the shape of staff, transport charges, rents for godowns, etc., have since been withdrawn by Government.

It is heartening to note that a good number of these societies are self-supporting and are working in a satisfactory manner. It is also true that several others that are working honestly, have been handicapped by lack of finance and, therefore, have not been able to meet their normal expenditure. Government have carefully considered this problem of extending help to such of those societies as really deserve assistance and have now been pleased to allot a sum of rupees one lakh for the year 1952-53 for the sole purpose of giving pecuniary assistance,—Rs. 100 per month per society to be given as subvention only to such of those Taluk Multi-purpose Co-operative Societies as really deserve encouragement in order to work honestly and satisfactorily. This concession is applicable only for the current year.

The Registrar of Co-operative Societies has been authorised to distribute this amount, keeping in view the purpose behind the sanction of this concession. He has been requested to see that a judicious use is made of this amount. He has also been requested to see that wherever help is to be given, such help is rendered expeditiously.

(P.N. No. 92—14-8-1952).

Press Note.

Abolition of Rural Development Committees.

In pursuance of the scheme for the re-organisation of the Rural Development work started in October 1948, District and Taluk Development Committees were constituted during February and March 1949. These Committees were vested with powers of sanctioning estimates of Rural Development works and sanctioning expenditure in regard to certain items. Consequent upon the promulgation of the Village Panchayet and District Boards Act of 1952, and also as a measure of economy, the Rural Development Committees have been abolished.

During the past three and half years, these Rural Development Committees have generally met regularly and transacted business efficiently with enthusiasm and sense of responsibility. Apart from tendering valuable advice to Government in matters of rural development, the Committees have considerably facilitated the execution of rural development works and have striven hard in several places to kindle local initiative. Government wish to thank the Chairmen and Members of the District and Taluk Development Committees for the work they have done and to place on record their appreciation of the services rendered.

(P. N. No. 93—14-8-1952).

Press Note.

Prize of Rs. 2,000 for the best Model of Mohwa Hand Decorticator.

In Press Note No. 33, dated 12th May 1951, an announcement was made to the effect that a prize of Rs. 2,000 will be awarded by the Indian Central Oil Seeds Committee to any person or body who designs the best model of hand-driven decorticator and it was specified that entries should be sent to the Secretary, the Indian Central Oil Seeds Committee, Ministry of Food and Agriculture, Room No. 345, Block No. 9, Shah-ha-Jahan Road, New Delhi, so as to reach him not later than 30th April 1952.

The Indian Central Oil Seeds Committee has now announced that the last date for the receipt of entries has been extended to 31st August 1952. Intending competitors are requested to note the extension of the last date.

(P.N. No. 94—18-8-52).

Press Note.

Distress Relief.

In view of the fact that it has not been found possible to afford relief in the distress-affected areas of the State solely through the Distress Relief Funds, Government have decided that the funds at the disposal of the Grow More Food Campaign may be partly diverted to this work. They have, accordingly, directed that the Public Works Department might take up, urgently, distress relief works wherever found necessary, and to see that employment is given to the unemployed in these regions. Government have also decided on the amounts to be allocated to each district as follows, for the current year :—

Kolar District	...	...	Rs. 3 lakhs
Chitaldrug District	...	...	Do
Tumkur District	...	...	Do
Shimoga District	...	...	Rs. 1½ lakhs
Hassan District	...	...	Do
Kadur District	...	...	Rs. 1 lakh
Bangalore District	...	...	Do
Mysore District	...	...	Do
Mandya District	...	...	Rs. 1·17 lakhs

(P.N. No. 95—18-8-52).

D. R. RAMAIYA,

3814 For *Principal Information Officer*

FOREST DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF RESEARCH OFFICER, FOREST RESEARCH LABORATORY, MALLESWARAM, BANGALORE-3.

Notification dated 13th August 1952.

SALE OF UNSERVICEABLE ARTICLES.

It is hereby notified for the information of the public that an auction sale of unserviceable articles in the Laboratory, Workshop and Nursery, will be held at 2 P.M. on 8th September 1952 in the premises of the Forest Research Laboratory, Malleswaram, by the Chief Conservator or any other Officer deputed by him.

Full details and specifications of all the articles exposed for sale and examination of the same can be made at the Laboratory premises on all working days during office hours.

2. The sale is subject to confirmation of the Chief Conservator of Forests who reserves the right to accept or reject any bid without assigning any reason.

3. Each intending bidder must deposit in cash as earnest money Rs. 15, with the sale conducting officer. The deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them at the close of the sale. Those of the successful bidders will be retained as security for fulfilment of the contract and is liable to forfeiture to Government on breach of the conditions.

4. At the conclusion of the sale, each successful bidder shall pay the full bid amount in cash, in addition to the earnest money deposited *plus* sales-tax on the entire bid amount.

5. The successful bidder should remove the goods on confirmation of sale by the Chief Conservator of Forests.

6. For breach of any of these conditions, the defaulters, besides being liable to the forfeiture of the earnest money, will be liable for any loss which the Department may incur by the resale of unserviceable articles but shall not be entitled to any gain by such resale.

7. Further particulars, inspection of stock, etc., may be had at the Office of the Forest Research Laboratory, Malleswaram, P.O., Bangalore-3, on any working day during office hours.

M. N. RAMASWAMY,
Chief Research Officer.

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KOLAR DISTRICT.

Brief Notification dated 9th August 1952.

TENDER FOR SALES OF THUPRA LEAVES LEASE FOR THE YEARS 1952–55.

It is hereby notified for general information that sealed tenders will be received at the Office of the District Forest Officer, Kolar, up to 4 P.M. on 4th September 1952, for the exclusive right of collecting Thupra Leaves on all Government unoccupied lands, Amrit Mahal Kavals, State Forests, Reserved lands, and plantations of Chickballapur, Goribidnur and Gudibanda Taluks from the date of acceptance of the tender to 31st March 1955.

Each tender must be accompanied by a sum of Rs. 200 (Rupees two hundred only) in currency notes as tender deposit. Tenders not accompanied by the earnest deposit will be summarily rejected. Cover containing the tender should be addressed to the District Forest Officer, Kolar, duly registered and superscribed "Tender for Thupra leaves lease". The name and address of the tenderer should be clearly and fully given. Tenders will be opened by the District Forest Officer, Kolar, in his office at 4-30 P.M. on 4th September 1952 in the presence of such of the tenderers as may be present. The Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore is at liberty to accept or reject any tender without specifying any reason therefor. Within a week of receipt of notice of acceptance of the tender, the successful tenderer should pay one-third of the tender amount with the usual cesses at three annas per rupee and sales-tax at 3 pies per rupee on the full tender amount including the earnest deposit paid with the tender and execute the usual agreement on a ten-anna stamp paper.

For further particulars, *vide* Notification dated 22nd April 1940 of the District Forest Officer, Kolar, published on page 96 in Part VI of the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 25th April 1940 and Notification No. S. 2–9—1075–45, dated 3rd May 1946 of the Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

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Brief Notification dated 22nd August 1952.

Tender for sale of Thangadi and Kakke barks lease for the year 1952-54.

It is hereby notified for general information that sealed tenders will be received at the Office of the District Forest Officer, Kolar, up to 4 P.M. on 15th September 1952 for the exclusive right of collecting Thangadi and Kakke barks on all Government Unoccupied Lands, Amrit Mahal Kavals, State Forests, Reserved Lands and Plantations of Goribidanur Taluk from the date of acceptance of the tender to 30th June 1954.

Each tender must be accompanied by a sum of Rs. 200 (Rupees two hundred only) in currency notes as tender deposit. Tenders not accompanied by the earnest deposit will be summarily rejected. Cover containing the tender should be addressed to the District Forest Officer, Kolar, duly registered and superscribed "Tender for Thangadi and Kakke barks lease". The name and address of the tenderer should be clearly and fully given. Tenders will be opened by the District Forest Officer, Kolar, in his office at 4-30 P.M. on the 15th September 1952 in the presence of such of the tenderers as may be present. The Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore is at liberty to accept or reject any tender without specifying any reason therefor. Within a week of receipt of notice of acceptance of the tender the successful tenderer should pay one-fourth of the tender amount with the usual cesses at three annas per rupee and Sales-tax at three pies per rupee on the full tender amount including the earnest deposit paid with the tender and execute the usual agreement on a ten-anna stamp paper.

For further particulars please see Notification published on pages 568-569, Part VI of the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 29th May 1952 of the Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore or ascertain from the District Forest Officer, Kolar.

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TUMKUR FOREST DIVISION.

Notification dated 11th August 1952.

Tupra Leaves for 1952-55.

Sealed tenders are invited from the public for the purchase of the exclusive right of collecting Tupra leaves on all Government unoccupied lands, Amrit Mahal Kavals, State Forests, Reserved lands and Plantation for 1952-55, Talukwar in respect of the undermentioned Taluks.

1	Tumkur Taluk	6	Chiknayakanahalli
2	Tiptur Taluk	7	Gubbi Taluk
3	Koratagere Taluk	8	Pavagada
4	Turuvekere Taluk	9	Kunigal
5	Sira Taluk	10	Madhugiri

The tenders should be superscribed "Tender for Tupra leaves for 1952-55", and accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 200 in currency notes. The amount offered should be written legibly in words and figures. The last date and hour for tendering through post or in person is 4th September 1952, 2 P.M. Those received later being liable to be summarily rejected.

Tenders will be opened at 2 P.M. on 4th September 1952, in the presence of such of the tenderers as may be present and read out to them. Defaulters on account of previous leases are not allowed to tender and any such tender received will be rejected.

The highest tender or any other tender may be accepted or rejected by the District Forest Officer without assigning any reason and the tender accepted by him is subject to further acceptance and confirmation of the lease by the Conservator of Forests, Shimoga Circle.

The successful tenderer shall, within one week from the date of intimation of the acceptance of his tender, pay one-third of the sale amount, with cesses at Re. 0-3-6 in the Rupee on the full sale amount, including the deposit already paid and execute an agreement with a security deposit of Rs. 500 or one quarter of the sale amount, whichever is less, failing which the right will be resold at his risk, forfeiting the amount already paid. In that event he will not be entitled to participate in any profit resulting by such resale, but shall be liable to make good any loss which shall be recovered as arrears of land revenue.

The balance of sale amount shall be paid in two equal instalments on 1st April 1953 and 1st April 1954. In default to pay either or both on the respective dates; the right will be resold at his risk in the manner referred to above.

For other conditions, please see Notification published in the *Mysore Gazette*, dated 21st April 1949, Part VI.

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MYSORE FOREST DIVISION.

Abstract Notification dated 25th July 1952.

It is notified for general information that the exclusive right of collecting Minor Forest Produce on all Government unoccupied lands, Amrit Mahal Kavals, State Forests, Reserved lands and Plantations from the date of confirmation of the sale to the end of March 1954, in the undermentioned taluk will be re-sold Talukwar by the District Forest Officer, Mysore Division, Mysore, or any other officer